orders of Income-tax Officers the following contains the information :—

	1923-24. *No. of appeals.*
Special Deputy Commissioner of Income-tax for Bangalore and Mysore Cities and Taluks ...	363
Deputy Commissioner of Income-tax—	
Bangalore District	19
Kolar District	41
Tumkur District	94
Mysore District	50
Hassan District	34
Kadur District	48
Shimoga District	85
Chitaldrug District	114
Grand Total ...	848

1923-24.

(*b*) Number of appeals received in the Office of the Commissioner 188

(*c*) Assessment on probable income is resorted to only when satisfactory proof is not given in respect of the income of the assessee. In the absence of accounts and returns of income, assessment has to be made on the best available information.

By Mr. B. K. Ramakrishnaiya,—(Mysore Urban).

Q.—24. Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) How many dismissals occurred in the Loco Workshop since 1922 ?

(*b*) Why there were so many dismissals ?

(*c*) Whether dismissed employees have memorialized to Government and to His Highness the Maharaja ?

(*d*) What action has been taken by the Government in the matter ?

(*e*) How many new hands have been employed since 1922 ?

(*f*) How many of these are non-Mysoreans by birth or domicile ?

(*g*) Whether local men, efficient and well trained, could not be found to fill all the vacancies ?

Secretary to Government, Railways.—

A.—24. (*a*) No employee has been dismissed since 1922, but 619 men have been discharged, either due to continuous absence from duty or due to retrenchment.

(*b*) Does not arise (*vide* answer to Q *a*).

(*c*) None.

(*d*) Does not arise (*vide* answer to Q. *c*).

(*e*) 329 Artisans and 596 coolies have been entertained in all, including men re-entertained more than once against the same place.

(*f*) The men entertained are all either Mysoreans by birth or by domicile.

(*g*) Does not arise.

Supplementary Questions.

Mr. Ramakrishnaiya.—

With reference to question 24 (*a*) will Government be pleased to say how many men were discharged on account of continuous absence and how many due to retrenchments?

Dewan.—

The question requires notice.

Mr. Ramakrishnaiya.—

With reference to question 24 (*f*) will the Government be pleased to say whether one Mr. Snell who is not a Mysorean either by birth or by domicile is not appointed as a Driver?

Dewan.—

It is not a supplementary question. If, however, definite instances are brought to notice, I will make enquiries into the matter.

BY MESSRS. M. VENKATAKRISHNIAH, M. RAMASWAMI, B. K. RAMAKRISHNAIYA, LOKAHITAISHI H. NANJUNDARAJ URS, M. LAKSHMIPATHIAH, S. SRIKANTACHAR, AND CHIKKANNA *alias* VENKATAPPA,—(Mysore).

Q.—25. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) Whether the opinion of the public was taken before the recent reforms in the system of primary and middle school education were introduced?

(*b*) What was the number of candidates that appeared for the Lower Secondary examination with English as second language from 1918 to 1924 and what was the number that appeared for the English Lower Secondary examination after passing Kannada Lower Secondary examination during the same period?